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In re Patent Application of)
Eun-hwa HONG et al.) Group Art Unit: 1754
Application No.: 09/842,714) Examiner: P. Lish
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For: METHOD OF SYNTHESIZING)
CARBON NANOTUBES AND)
APPARATUS USED FOR THE)
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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated September 24, 2002, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly add new claim 24 as follows:

24. An apparatus for synthesizing carbon nanotubes, comprising:
- means for introducing a catalyst in a reactor;
 - means for supplying a reactant gas containing a carbon source gas over the catalyst;
 - means for selectively and locally heating the catalyst in the reactor; and
 - means for growing carbon nanotubes from the heated catalyst.

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